

NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Joe Stecher, and the Office of Inspector General of the Social Security Administration, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: For having used someone else's identification in 2008, Armando Mejia-Mejia was sentenced by the Honorable Joseph Bataillon, Chief United States District Judge, to serve a year and one day in prison, which will be followed by a 2 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment.

On March 17, 2008, a man contacted the Social Security Administration office, claiming somebody had worked under his name and SSN in the Oakland, Iowa, area and was now working in the Omaha area. Following an investigation, it was determined that Armando Mejia-Mejia had assumed the man's identity and applied for work with O'Brien Meats and Skylark Meats, through Staff Mid-America, on January 23, 2008.

Mejia, a citizen of Mexico, is illegally in the United States.

Name of Defendant: Armando Mejia-Mejia

AKA: Ciriaco Delgado-Garcia

Age: 24

City of Residence: Guerrero, Mexico

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Document Fraud carries not more than 5 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment. Aggravated Identity Theft carries a mandatory 2 years consecutive prison term.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Staff Mid-America, Omaha

Location of Arrest: Skylark Meats, Omaha

Alleged Dollar Loss: n/a

Others Charged in Same Scheme: n/a

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: January 23, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: June 5, 2008

Date Complaint Issued: June 4, 2008

Information Filed Date: June 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: June 5, 2008

Plea Date(s): September 12, 2008

Sentencing Date: December 11, 2008

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: n/a

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Hon. Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond: Yes

In Continuous Custody Since: June 3, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Hon. Joseph Bataillon

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